

Paper No. 1522  
Disposes of  
Paper No. 1514

INTERNATIONAL MILITARY TRIBUNAL FOR THE FAR EAST  
SITTING AT TOKYO, JAPAN

Case No. 1

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, et al	) ORDER
	) GRANTING WITHDRAWAL
	) FROM THE FILES OF
- vs -	) THE TRIBUNAL OF
	) COURT EXHIBITS
	) NOS. 2401 and 2403
ARAKI, Sadao, et al	)

This matter coming on to be heard this 21st day of January, 1948, before the Honorable Sir William Webb, President of the Tribunal, upon the application of the Accused ITAGAKI, Seishiro by YAMADA, Honzo and Floyd J. Mattice, his counsel, for leave to withdraw from the files of the Tribunal two documents, being Court Exhibit No. 2401, "Testament of HONJO, Shigeru", and Court Exhibit No. 2403, "True Nature of the Manchurian Incident" written by HONJO, Shigeru, for the purpose of returning said documents to the family of the late HONJO, Shigeru, from whom said documents were borrowed for the purpose of being introduced as evidence in this case, said application being Paper No. 1514;

And the Tribunal having heard the statements and arguments of counsel for said Accused ITAGAKI, Seishiro, and being fully advised in the premises, and it appearing to the Tribunal that said documents were introduced and received in evidence in this case as Court Exhibits Nos. 2401 and 2403 and have served their purpose, and that the family of the said

late HONJO, Shigeru, to whom said documents are precious mementos, has requested their return as expeditiously as possible; and it further appearing to the Tribunal that no substantial injustice or prejudice to the rights of the Prosecution or the Accused, or any of them, will result from the withdrawal of said documents from the files of this Tribunal, and the Prosecution has interposed no objection to their withdrawal and return to the family of the late HONJO, Shigeru, it is

ORDERED: That Court Exhibits Nos. 2401 and 2403 be withdrawn from the files of the Tribunal forthwith and returned to the family of the late HONJO, Shigeru, upon the express term and condition, however, that said documents shall be returned to the Tribunal upon request in the event that either the Tribunal or the Prosecution or the Defense should require them for the purpose of this trial.

BY THE TRIBUNAL:

(signed) W. F. Webb  
PRESIDENT